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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 22, 2006

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements of Application dated March 22, 2006, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the aboveidentified patent application.

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In the event that this response is not timely filed, the applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/18/2005
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- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/18/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 03/18/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 03/18/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/18/2005
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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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